

Recognition For Mexico Seems Near

Early Action by U. S. Fore- cast by Colby as Result of Pledge by Obregon Agent to Settle Claims

Joint Arbitration Board Is Proposed

Announcement Comes as Surprise to Washington After Wall St. Rumor

From the Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—Early recognition of the Mexican government by the United States was forecast today by Secretary of State Colby in a statement following the receipt of a letter from Roberto Pesqueira, confidential agent of the Mexican government, at Washington, which pledged his government to the settlement of American claims and the protection of American property rights in that country.

Confidence is expressed in Secretary Colby's statement that the Mexican government will meet all her obligations and that friendly relations can be maintained between this government and the republic south of the Rio Grande under the new régime in control there.

The Mexican diplomat, in his letter to the Secretary, pledged the Mexican government to make good her obligations through the decisions to be rendered by a joint commission named to pass upon and adjudicate these claims; declared that the national program of Mexico in the future was based on "order and justice"; and finally denied with vigor that Mexican laws were retroactive and confiscatory.

Action a Big Surprise

Secretary Colby assured the Mexican representative that the "preliminaries to recognition can confidently proceed" and "give promise of a speedy and happy outcome."

The promise for early recognition of Mexico held out in the response made by Secretary Colby to Mr. Pesqueira's letter created a great surprise here, because of the official denial of State Department officials that this government contemplated resumption of diplomatic relations with Mexico in the near future.

What connection George Creel, the former chairman of the President's Committee on Public Information, who recently returned from Mexico City, had with the report that President Wilson had authorized the mission to Mexico, had in advancing the time for American recognition was not made clear.

Secretary Colby and Under Secretary of State Davis have declared that Mr. Creel's mission to Mexico City was without significance in connection with the resumption of diplomatic relations with Mexico.

In his conference with newspapermen after the issuance of the statement today Secretary Colby declined to be drawn out on the connection, if any, between Creel's mission to Mexico and the contemplated recognition of that government by the United States.

Wall Street Rumor Denied

Today's announcement by the State Department is understood, was preceded by a report that the stock market today that recognition would soon be authorized. It was intended to withhold actual announcement of the favorable progress in negotiations between Mexico and this government until after election.

In his statement Mr. Colby said: "The discussions which have for some time been in progress between the Mexican government and the United States government, give promise of a speedy and happy outcome. The letter which he has addressed to me, and which I am today giving out for publication, is very significant and I may say, very gratifying and reassuring statement of the attitude and purposes of the new government of Mexico."

"Mr. Pesqueira came to Washington to discuss the fullest possible and act on behalf of his government, and has exhibited throughout the course of the discussions a complete realization of Mexico's international obligations, and the conviction of the necessity of the firm resolve of his government to discharge them."

"I think I am warranted in saying that the Mexican question will soon cease to be a question at all, inasmuch as it is about to be answered, not only as it concerns the United States but, indeed, the whole world as well."

The new government of Mexico has given indication of its stability, sincerity and a creditable sensitiveness to its obligations.

Fiance Dies While Girl Tries On Wedding Gown

Miss Ingersoll Makes a Tragic Prophecy Alchemist at Moment of Mr. Scheerer's Death

Jane Bond Ingersoll, daughter of Charles H. Ingersoll, president of the Ingersoll Watch Company, was prostrated yesterday at her home, 205 Upper Montclair Avenue, Montclair, N. J., as a result of the sudden death of her fiancé, William Scheerer, Jr., Alchemist, a remark which Miss Ingersoll let fall almost at the moment of the young man's death seemed tragically prophetic in the light of the event, it had no significance for her at the time.

She and Mr. Scheerer, who were to be married on November 16, motored to this city Thursday. Miss Ingersoll, who was wearing a gown and Mr. Scheerer to have his tonsils removed.

"Wonder if I'll ever wear this!" exclaimed Miss Ingersoll as the gown was slipped off her.

From the dressmaker's she and her mother went to the hospital, where they learned that Mr. Scheerer had died less than an hour before on the operating table.

He was twenty-four years old, was graduated from Princeton in 1917 and had been assistant cashier of the Union National Bank of Newark, of which his father is president, since his discharge from the navy, in which he was an ensign during the war.

Hungary Must Ratify Treaty by Nov. 15

PARIS, Oct. 29.—The Allies have sent a note to the Hungarian government demanding ratification of the Treaty of Trianon not later than November 15, it was learned today.

In the event that no action is taken by that time, the note points out that "certain consequences" will result. A law providing for ratification has been introduced in the Hungarian Parliament.

Cocchi, Slayer Of Ruth Cruger, Gets 27 Years

The Federal authorities took a hand in the investigation of the alleged building material combine yesterday, when Attorney General Palmer appointed Joseph Kaufmann, a local lawyer, as a special United States attorney to cooperate in the inquiry being conducted by the Lockwood joint legislative committee.

The appointment was made at the request of United States Attorney Caffey to consider any evidence pointing to violations of anti-trust laws in the building industry.

At the same time it was learned that Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the Lockwood committee, has received his designation as special assistant to District Attorney Swann to enable him to conduct the criminal prosecutions arising out of the inquiry. He will have as aids Samuel A. Berger, Deputy Attorney General, and Stanley Richter, a former assistant district attorney, who is Mr. Untermyer's son-in-law.

Italian Jury Finds Him Guilty of First Degree Murder, Assault Attempt and Passport Fraud

Slayer's Confession Bared

Special Cable to The Tribune
BOLOGNA, Italy, Oct. 29.—Alfredo Cocchi, on trial in this city this week for the second time for the murder of Miss Ruth Cruger, eighteen-year-old New York high school girl, in February, 1917, was found guilty today on four counts. He was sentenced to serve twenty-seven years in prison.

The charges against him were murder, attempted assault and falsifying passports and military enrollment records.

Testimony introduced at the last day of the trial concerned the manner of the girl's death and Cocchi's connection with it. A death certificate signed by a New York physician was introduced to show that the girl's death had resulted from a fracture of her skull. Another physician, who is attached to the office of the attorney for New York County, testified through an interpreter.

He told how the police had searched the ship departing for Europe, believing that Cocchi, who had been in New York with her only child, making a fortune, might have planned to escape. He recalled how often, after months of fruitless investigation, Mrs. Grace Humiston, a lawyer engaged by Miss Cruger's parents, had insisted upon a thorough investigation of the Cocchi ship, and how there she had supervised the finding of the girl's body.

Wife Told of Flight

This physician testified that as soon as the body had been found Mrs. Cocchi had been informed of her husband's death. She had been told that he had fled to Italy and could be found in Bologna. This evidence, he said, had resulted in Cocchi's arrest. He said he pitied Cocchi's poor wife in New York, with her only child, making a fortune, living as a seamstress and having to bear undesired misfortune.

The next witness was Signor Barocchini, Cocchi's brother-in-law. He testified that the murder had been planned by Cocchi and his wife. He said he had seen Cocchi confessing to Father Mordetto in New York before fleeing from that city. Barocchini quoted Cocchi as expressing his regret that Cocchi had been in New York against his own wishes.

Another witness was Signor Derosi, a watchmaker, who for some time past had occupied the jail cell next to Cocchi. He testified that the defendant had confessed to him.

The deposition of Mrs. Humiston was read, telling how the body was found. Father Mordetto's deposition, which was read, testified that Cocchi had confessed to him just before leaving New York, but said the Roman rite prevented his revealing the nature of Cocchi's confession.

Defense's Plea

Signor Venturini and Signor Bentini, attorneys for the defense, in their closing arguments, tried at first to raise the doubt that Miss Cruger might have come to her death as a result of jealousy between her and Mrs. Cruger. Later they argued that their client had been suffering mental torture in his domestic affairs and was not responsible for the murder.

Justice Franchini, presenting the case for the prosecution, refuted the arguments of the defense conclusively and secured the conviction of the defendant.

Cocchi Killed Girl in Shop

Cocchi's crime was committed in the bicycle shop he operated at 42 West Street. He had stopped there to get a pair of skates he had left to be sharpened. She never was seen alive afterward.

The girl's disappearance mystified the New York police for months. Suspicion was directed at Cocchi because Miss Cruger had been seen entering his shop and because he vanished soon after the crime.

Almost six months after the girl's disappearance her body was unearthed in the basement of the bicycle shop. A warrant was issued for Cocchi's arrest and attempt to flee to Europe was frustrated, but failed because Italian law does not permit extradition of an Italian citizen for crime. Cocchi was arrested.

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Selwyns Reduce Prices For Tickets to Theater

First Producers to Join in Lower
Living Cost Movement Make
50-Cent Slash

The Selwyns announced last night that they were the first theatrical managers in this city to join the price cutting forces.

The Selwyns Theater, where Florence Reed is playing in "The Miracle," have been reduced from \$8 to \$2.50, except on Saturday nights, when the \$4 rate still prevails.

This reduction will be in force, it was announced, in all theaters where Selwyn dramatic productions are appearing. The best seats for Selwyn musical shows are to be \$5.

"This decision on the part of the Selwyns," the announcement says, "to take the initiative with regard to a reduction of prices, will be followed by other managers. The step was inspired by the belief that the new scale is indicative of a longer run than the higher prices have achieved."

U. S. to Aid In Building Graft Inquiry

Jos. Kaufmann Designated
to Prosecute Under
Trust and Lever Laws
if Combine Is Shown

Untermyer to Ask
For Indictments

Empowered to Proceed
Before Grand Jury as
Special Aid to Swann

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Body Taken to Cork by Foes

Crowds at Pier in the Late
Mayor's Home Refuse to
Receive Coffin Which
British Seized in Wales

Erin Quiet, Clash Feared

By Frank Getty
Special Cable to The Tribune
CORK, Oct. 29.—The body of Terence MacSwiney came back to Cork tonight in the hands of his old foes. Not a single relative, friend or Irish sympathizer accompanied the body of the Lord Mayor on its journey from England to this city of his birth, where burial will take place Sunday after an impressive funeral service.

Because the British government at the last minute refused to allow MacSwiney's body to be taken from Holyhead, Wales, to Dublin, where Sinn Fein had planned that it should lie in state before being brought to Cork by rail, orders went out from republican headquarters that no one should accept the body from its English convey or aid in its transportation.

Body Refused at Queenstown

The body was taken aboard the Rathmore, a specially chartered steamer, at Holyhead at 1 o'clock this morning and carried to Queenstown. Only an auxiliary force of the Royal Irish Constabulary accompanied it. At Queenstown an attempt was made to have the coffin accepted by the local authorities, but they refused to do so.

The day passed quietly in all parts of Ireland. There were no signs of disturbance in Cork, where the shops, like those in Dublin, were closed in recognition of the day of mourning.

Tonight MacSwiney's body lies in state in the City Hall. It will remain until Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock when funeral services will be held in the City Hall.

MacSwiney's body late journey in the hands of his enemies made a great impression upon the minds of his followers, who had planned to honor him by an imposing demonstration from the time his body left England until it reached the cemetery. The feeling against the government awakened by the diversion of the body from Dublin is higher than ever here.

Concrete Steamer Sinks In Collision; 11 Missing

Cape Fear, a Shipping Board
Vessel, Goes Down in Naragansett Bay in Three Minutes

NEWPORT, R. I., Oct. 29.—The concrete steamer Cape Fear, a United States Shipping Board vessel, was sunk in the deepest part of Narragansett Bay to-night in a collision with the steamer City of Atlanta.

At a late hour eleven of the crew of thirty-four of the sunken vessel were unaccounted for. The Cape Fear sank in three minutes about halfway between Castle Hill on the Newport shore and Rhode Island, going down bow first in twenty-five fathoms.

The Cape Fear was outward bound from Providence for Norfolk in ballast and carried only her crew, as did the City of Atlanta, which was bound from Savannah for Providence with a cargo of lumber. The accident happened was not definitely determined to-night, especially as the weather was clear, with only a slight cloudiness and a light sea running.

The City of Atlanta's bow was badly damaged, the result of hitting the Cape Fear amidships, but, although there was a seven-foot hole above the main deck, the bulkheads held and she anchored.

Of the fifteen men saved from the Cape Fear five slipped down lines to the City of Atlanta and the others were picked up from the water by ropes or by boats that were lowered for them.

No one was injured aboard the City of Atlanta, but of those rescued from the Cape Fear three were slightly injured.

The available list of the missing follows:

Chief Engineer Wilson, Second Engineer McKelley, Third Engineer A. L. Knapp, Officer Anderson, Fireman Green, Second Mate Dray, Steward Grinnell, Chief Cook L. Hill, Seaman Lawrence, wireless operator (name unknown), second cook (name unknown).

Daylight Saving Ends To-morrow at 2 A. M.

Daylight saving will end this year at 2 o'clock to-morrow morning in this city, other sections of New York State and in communities in nearby states.

In consequence residents of this city are advised to turn their clocks and watches back one hour before retiring to-night or they will wake up one hour early to-morrow morning.

Most of the local railroad time schedules will not change, as they have retained Eastern Standard time.

College Ousts Teacher Who Slurs Harding

Wm. A. Chancellor Asked
to Quit Faculty of
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Authorship of Letters

His Defamatory
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The action of the board, in the form of a resolution, followed a hearing during which Professor Chancellor answered questions touching the authorship of the letters which were alleged to have been inimical to the Senator's candidacy.

Text of Resolution

The resolution calling for Professor Chancellor's resignation follows:

"It having come to the knowledge of the board that circular letters are being scattered broadcast throughout the country with reference to Senator Harding, Republican nominee for the Presidency, which letters are attributed to Professor William E. Chancellor, a part of which he admits to have been written by him:

"And, whereas, such circular letters issued on the eve of the election are for the manifest purpose of appealing to prejudice and to influence the electorate of the country at the coming election.

"Therefore, be it resolved, that we, the board of trustees of the College of Wooster, repudiate and denounce such political methods as utterly unworthy of our college and also that we do hereby further resolved by the board that the College of Wooster indignantly disclaims all connection with the making or authority for the making or issuing of any such circular letters."

Voices No Regret

After a conference with a committee, including Dr. John Timothy Stone, president of the board, Professor Chancellor said that while conscious of the embarrassment occasioned to the college, he felt in his breast that he had done nothing wrong or improper, and that he would continue to have the kindest feeling toward the college and the board.

William Estabrook Chancellor, widely known as a lecturer and author on economic and social subjects, has been a member of the faculty of the College of Wooster since 1914. He has been as head of the department of economics, politics and sociology, but for the last year he has restricted his work to the social sciences.

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A Democrat in politics, Professor Chancellor first ran for office in Newark, where he was a candidate for Mayor in 1911. In 1916 he was a Democratic Presidential Elector. Two years later he was chairman of the Wayne County, Ohio, "Four Minute Men" and also Democratic candidate for Congress from the Sixth Ohio district.

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The case was that of Louis Kronenberg, a waist manufacturer who is indicted on a charge of cheating in a poker game. Kronenberg, who lives at 759 West End Avenue, was one of the players in the high stake poker games played at his home, the Hotel McAlpin and the home of Joseph Schenck, whose wife is Norma Talma, motion picture actress.

He is accused of using marked cards in a game of stud poker December 14, 1919, thereby winning a pot of \$18,000 from Sam Lewis.

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Harding Calls on Voters To Rescue Nation From Quagmire of Incapacity

Hays Predicts
Record Vote
For Harding

Electoral Majority Will
Pass Roosevelt Count in
1904, He Says; White
Confident Cox Will Win

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Harding Peace to Insure Sovereignty, Says Lodge

"I have 100 per cent faith in complete Republican victory this fall," said Mr. Hays, "because I have 100 per cent confidence in American common sense, and because I have 100 per cent evidence that this dependable American intelligence certainly will express itself at the November election."

"Thirty-two states are surely Republican, seven additional most probably Republican, and only nine at the most safely Democratic. The minimum number of certain Republican electoral votes is 368. There is very much better than an even chance for twenty-four more, making the almost certain Republican electoral vote 392, with a very probable additional twenty-five."

George White, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, predicted a Democratic victory.

"The general political situation at the close of the last week of the campaign," he said, "is such that it is signs which point unmistakably to Democratic success."

"Governor Cox and Mr. Roosevelt will carry the states of Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri and Oklahoma, in addition to the Southern states. They will carry Ohio and Indiana. On the Atlantic seaboard, in New York, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, due to an eleventh hour shift, the situation is improving every minute, and we feel certain that you will carry New Jersey, Connecticut and New Hampshire."

"In the West reports from Montana, Colorado, Arizona, Idaho, New Mexico, Washington, Nevada, South Dakota and Utah are that they are certainly Democratic, and we believe we will carry Nebraska, California and North Dakota. In Minnesota, Oregon and Wisconsin our prospects are hourly improving, and a great swing toward us is on in Kansas, Illinois, and even in Iowa."

"The Republicans are demoralized from the Canadian border to the Gulf of Mexico. They are in a state of confusion. Their forces are in full retreat everywhere."

Charges Thousands Face Loss of Ballot Tuesday

Deputy Attorney General Sees
Wholesale Disfranchisement in
Failure to Split Districts

Robert Conklin, Deputy Attorney General, after a tour last night of Upper West Side districts, said that thousands of voters stand to be disfranchised Tuesday on account of the failure of the Board of Elections to split up the larger districts, so as to get the number of voters in a precinct below 500.

"There are 720 minutes in the voting day Tuesday between 6 in the morning and 6 at night," said Mr. Conklin. "In the 34th Election District of the 23d Assembly District, for instance, there are 703 registered voters. Assuming that the board of elections will want to vote, it will mean that they will have to vote at the rate of nearly one a minute. With the long and cumbersome ballots that will be in use this year that rate of voting is impossible."

"There will be scores in line after 6 at night who will not have their votes counted," he said. "The board of elections at night will be in a state of confusion. They will have to consider the matter of creating new districts, and then failed to take action. In the colored district there are half a dozen districts, with close to 700 voters. If the Board of Elections does not do something in these overcrowded districts, hundreds of people will fail to get in their ballots. We have been after the commissioners for the last week, but have not made any impression on them."

Wanderer Found Guilty: Gets 25-Year Sentence

Onetime Army Lieutenant Shot
Wife and Ragged Stranger
After Framed Hold-Up

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—A verdict of guilty was returned by the jury in the case of Carl Wanderer to-day. The defendant was sentenced to twenty-five years in prison.

Wanderer shot and killed his wife, who was soon to become a mother, and a "ragged stranger" last June 21, after a framed hold-up in the doorway of their Chicago home. Wanderer confessed that he had plotted with the unidentified stranger to stage a fake hold-up when Wanderer and his wife came home from a picture show. In the hold-up Wanderer shot both the stranger and Mrs. Wanderer, although for a month it was supposed that the robber had shot the woman and Wanderer was regarded as a hero. Later he confessed to the dual crime. He said he had killed his wife to get rid of her, because he was tired of married life and wanted to go back to the army. He had been a lieutenant. In another confession Wanderer said he had killed his wife for her money. She was known to have had \$1,500.

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Cox Campaign Pleases Wilson; Hopes He Wins

President's Message to Nominee
Regarded as Complete Capitulation; Reference to League Omitted

Baker Also Unbends

Admits Covenant Is Not
Universally Insisted
Upon in the Middle West

From the Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—President Wilson to-day swept aside all differences between himself and Governor Cox on the League of Nations and assured the Democratic Presidential candidate that he was gratified at the conduct of his campaign and expressed the hope for his election.

The President sent the following telegram to Governor Cox:

"October 29, 1920.

"My Dear Governor Cox: As the campaign approaches its climax I want to give myself the pleasure of writing to say with what admiration I have followed your career and to congratulate you on your victory in the campaign. You have spoken truly and fearlessly about the great issues at stake, and I believe that you will receive the emphatic endorsement of the voters of the country. As one of those voters, and as one of your fellow citizens, I want to express my entire confidence in you and my confident hope that under your leadership we may carry the policy of the national government forward along the path of liberal legislation and humane reform until the whole world again sees an illustration of the wholesome strength of democracy and the happy fruit of what the founders of the Republic intended when they set this great government up."

"Allow me to sign myself, 'Your gratified and loyal supporter, 'WOODROW WILSON.'"

The complete capitulation of President Wilson to the Democratic nominee was unexpected. In all the campaign utterances made by the President thus far he has consistently refrained from mentioning the name of the Democratic candidate, confining his prediction statements almost wholly to a support of the League of Nations as espoused by him.

Does Not Refer to League

His message to-day to the Governor, frankly admitting that the Democratic nominee had spoken truly and fearlessly about the great issues at stake, therefore is regarded as the nearest approach Mr. Wilson has made to personal endorsement of the Democratic candidate.

Ku Klux Klan to Parade As Election Warning

Jacksonville Paper Predicts a
Demonstration To-night to
Prevent Race War at Polls

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE TRIBUNE
JACKSONVILLE, Oct. 29.—Under the heading "Ku Klux Klan to Parade Saturday Night" The Florida Metropolis, an afternoon paper, carried the following story on its front page to-day:

"The mysterious riders of the Ku Klux Klan will parade through the streets of Jacksonville on Saturday night dressed in full regalia, with the very cross in front of the advancing column," according to rumor, heard around the street Friday. The Ku Klux Klan, which was recently organized, is a direct descendant of the old Ku Klux Klan, which